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Amendments to the Commerce, Justice, State Appropriations Bill

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Amendments Printed in the Congressional Record:

Herger (#1) -- amendment to provide \$200 million to the water users of the Klamath Project as just compensation, pursuant to the 5th Amendment, for the federal taking of water rights. The funds would be offset with a reduction in the National Marine Fisheries Service. **Should Be Subject to a Point of Order.**

Hinchey (#2) -- amendment to increase the Economic Development Administration Assistance Programs by \$73 million (currently funded at \$335 million, \$76 million less than last year and equal to the request) and reduce Federal Prison System Buildings and Facilities by \$73 million (currently \$813.6 million, \$20 million less than last year and \$19.7 million below the request).

Hinchey (#3) -- amendment prohibits funds from being used to prevent the States of Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Maine, Nevada, Oregon, or Washington from implementing medical marijuana laws.

Kerns (#4) -- amendment that requires the immediate destruction of all information submitted by an individual approved to purchase a firearm under the Brady Instant Check System. (The current bill only requires the destruction of such records, not the immediate destruction.)

Manzullo (#5) -- amendment that strikes the \$4.1 billion of commitments guaranteed under the Small Business Administration Loan Program and replaces it with the \$6 billion level established in the authorizing legislation.

Paul (#6) -- amendment prohibiting any funds from being used for any contribution to the U.N. or its affiliated agencies.

Paul (#7) --- amendment prohibiting any funds from being used for any contribution for U.N. Peacekeeping

Roemer (#8) -- amendment to designate the Department of Justice Building located at 10th and Constitution NW as the "Robert F. Kennedy Department of Justice Building". **Should Be Subject to a Point of Order.**

Walden (#9) -- amendment prohibiting funds from being used to implement recommendation printed in a study on the relationship between the Klamath River flow levels and the health of salmon and steelhead in that river.

Waters (#10) -- amendment prohibiting the use of funds by the U.S. Trade Representative to initiate World Trade Organization proceedings challenging the law or policy of a developing country that promotes access to HIV /AIDS medicine.

Waters (#11) – amendment prohibiting the use of funds by the U.S. Trade Representative to initiate World Trade Organization proceedings challenging the law or policy of any country that is not a Member of the OECD that promotes access to HIV /AIDS medicine.

Waters (#12) -- amendment prohibiting the use of funds by the U.S. Trade Representative to initiate World Trade Organization proceedings challenging the law or policy of any country that is not a Member of the OECD. The amendment covers all actions, whereas the other Waters amendments only cover action related to HIV/AID drugs.

Waters (#13) -- amendment prohibiting the use of funds by the U.S. Trade Representative to initiate World Trade Organization proceedings challenging the law or policy of any country under the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights.

Other Possible Amendments:

Obey -- amendment prohibiting funding to implement the FCC proposed rules change relating to the repeal of the newspaper /broadcast cross-ownership ban and consolidation of the media industry.

Moran (VA) -- amendment requiring the government to retain the records collected as part of the Brady Instant Check System for up to 100 days. (The current bill only requires the destruction of such records, not the immediate destruction.)

Maloney -- amendment requires the Bureau of the Census to report to Congress on possible adjustments to the data and a diagnosis of how many people may have been miscounted in the 2000 Census

Maloney -- amendment provides \$2.5 million for research and planning activities associated with counting American citizens oversees in the 2010 census.

Maloney -- amendment directs the Census Bureau to provide tract level data in its October report that shows the homeless and runaway shelter count separately from the "noninstitutionalized group quarters" count.

Bartlett -- amendment that prohibits the use of funds to implement any recommendation or requirement adopted at the United Nations Conference on the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects.

DeGette -- amendment that strikes language banning the use of federal funds for abortion services for women in federal prison.

Ney and Strickland -- amendment that increases funding for the Economic Development Assistance Programs by \$90 million (currently funded at \$335 million, \$76 million less than last year and equal to the request) and offset the increase by the following decreases:

- 1. \$20 million from the Department of Justice Salaries and Expenses Account (currently funded at \$91.7 million, \$3.2 million above last year and \$1.8 million below the request);
- 2. \$45 million from Census Bureau (currently funded at \$519.8 million, \$87.1 million above last year and \$23.6 million below the request);
- 3. \$10 million from the National Environmental Satellite, Data and Information Service (currently funded at \$149.6 million, \$38.5 million above last year and \$7.2 million above the request); and
- 4. \$15 million from Ocean Resources Conservation and Management (currently funded at \$124.2 million, \$38.4 million above last year and \$7.1 million above the request).

Jackson-Lee -- amendment that prohibits the use of INS funds to remove a person who might have access to 212(c) relief because of the St. Cyr Supreme Court decision.

Jackson-Lee -- amendment that earmarks \$20 million for alternatives to detention.

Jackson-Lee -- amendment that earmarks \$3 million for legal orientation presentations to aliens in detention.

Delahunt -- amendment that would end funding for the investigation by independent counsel David Barrett into former Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Henry Cisneros on December 15, 2001.

Lucas (OK) and Baird -- amendment to increase the Methamphetamine Enforcement and Clean-Up funding under the COPS program by \$11.7 million (currently funded at \$48.4 million equal to the last year and to the request) and offset the increase by decreasing International Broadcasting Operations by \$11.7 million (currently funded at \$453.1 million, \$33 million above last year and equal to the request).